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Conf. No.: 7761  
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Title: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND COMMUNICATION METHOD  
SHARING COMMUNICATION DATA AMONG A PLURALITY OF  
COMMUNICATION TERMINALS  
Art Unit: 2645  
Examiner: Gerald Gauthier  
Docket No.: 112857-070

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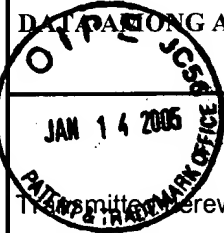


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Invention: <b>COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND COMMUNICATION METHOD SHARING COMMUNICATION DATA AMONG A PLURALITY OF COMMUNICATION TERMINALS</b>					
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.